

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
August 6, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, Becky Beckman, Selena Vonderheide and Mickey Seger. **Commission Members Absent:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Kara Bodle and Sherry Monesmith. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renee Kabrick **Guests in attendance:** Herald Reporter Candy Neal, WITZ News Director Jim O'Neil and Dubois County Free Press Publisher Matt Crane. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Gary Moeller** moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting. **Selena Vonderheide** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**City Financial Statement**

**Pat Thyen** moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Selena Vonderheide** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- Congratulations were offered to the Special Events Committee on a great job on the Parade float. The float won the Parade Marshal's Award.
- The City Council approved the entire budget. This includes the Visual Arts Coordinator becoming a full time position.
- Ticket sales are ahead of where they were last year at this time. Several people have responded to the float and bookmarks handed out at the parade.
- Kit wants to look at getting a liquor license for the Arts Center. We have been having wineries at the FIRST THURSDAY receptions and last week our Winery cancelled. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time this has happened. Discussion followed about the cost of the license, licensed servers, liability and the process. **Pat Thyen** moved to allow the Arts Center to start the process to pursue getting a beer and wine license. **Linda Kahle** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Glen Weil met with Kit regarding having the President's Marine Band play in Jasper in 2014. They only tour once a year. They will be in this area of the country next year. There is no cost to bring them here. The Band requires a facility with a minimum of 1200 seats. Mr. Weil suggested the JHS gym. Dr. Lorey with the GJCS is on board to using the JHS gym. The only costs will be for ticketing and marketing and hopefully someone else will partner with us to assist with these costs. Discussion followed. **Becky Hickman** moved to pursue the application to bring the President's Marine Band to Jasper. **Becky Beckman** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- A master planning meeting for the down town area is scheduled for Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the Cabby O'Neal gym.

**Building and Structure Report**

Doreen reported.

- The conference she attended in July was really good. There is a move toward LED lighting from incandescent lighting.
- The custodians are currently using a week of down time to reseal and refinish the dance floor. Dance classes will begin August 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Kit reported we are in stage 2 of hiring a replacement for the Technical Building Assistant.

### **Education Report**

Donna reported.

- It is back to school week and Donna has been meeting with administrators to get approval for education programs.
- Glennis Redmon will be the first Kennedy Partner educator this year. She is a poet. She will provide a public performance with Vincennes University during the noon hour on Sept.25<sup>th</sup>. Her workshops will be later that day and the next day.
- Education bookmarks were distributed to board members.
- The Ahn Trio will be featured at the first Brown Bag event this fall.
- Fall line-up is fulfilled with the final contract with The Metro Theatre Company. They will be performing *New Kid*. This show is designed to help communities and children accept and receive new individuals.

### **Visual Arts Report**

Erin reported.

- The Patoka Valley Quilters' Guild work is on currently on display in the Krempp Gallery until August 29th. The reception is this Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Corina reported.

- It was so exciting and such an honor to win the Parade Marshal's Award. Thanks to everyone who helped and especially to ACT for finding the actors for the float.
- Birthday party inquiries are picking up.
- There will be no Special Events Committee meeting in August.

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

- Becky Hickman attended the July City Council meeting. Information was passed out on Energizing Indiana. The program is highly recommended. It is a free service and can earn money for local charities.

### **Adjournment**

**Gary Moeller** moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

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**Mike Jones**

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**Attested**